



VolunteerBloomington!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "It isn't enough to talk about peace. One must believe in it. And, it isn't enough to believe in it. One must work at it." ~ Eleanor Roosevelt

Dec. 25, 2013

Recovery Engagement Center – Jan. 20

On Dr. King Day, the Recovery Engagement Center will host its second annual "Health and Recovery Fair" for members of the community. The event will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Jan. 20, and will feature health screens, referrals to local health agencies and testing for HIV and Hepatitis C. This event is open to anyone, with a special focus on those in early addiction recovery. Volunteers will help by greeting visitors and assisting with enrollment paperwork. Please contact Jody Chatelain at (812) 339-2895 or jody.chatelain@centerstone.org. (www.centerstone.org/services/Recovery-Engagement-Center)

Ellettsville Boys and Girls Club - Jan. 20

On Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, the Ellettsville branch of the Boys and Girls Club, like the Lincoln Street and Crestmont branches, will host a full day of programming for its members. This will include in-club service projects such as writing thank you letters to local police and fire department staff and a toy/pet food drive for the Animal Shelter. Members will also paint a mural in the club which will serve as a lasting reminder of Dr. King's teachings and values. For details about times and to offer your assistance, please contact Brenda Salvo at bsalvo@bgcbloomington.org or (812) 935-6970. (bgcbloomington.com)

Feed Our Furry Friends – Jan. 20

Bring Hannah Home will host its second annual Feed Our Furry Friends Day from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Jan. 20, in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. This is a service to address the needs of home-bound, elderly and struggling citizen pet owners in the community by providing at least 40 days worth of food for their pets, in honor of the Forty Days of Peace. Teams of volunteers will deliver donated pet food to the pet owners and assess any immediate care needs of the animals. Please contact Heather Pawluk, at BringHannahHome@gmail.com or (812) 327-5876.

Cover Bloomington – Jan. 20

Volunteers participating in "Cover Bloomington" will distribute winter survival items, including long-sleeved t-shirts, gloves and socks, to homeless citizens of Monroe County. This project, organized by the IU FASE Advisory Board, will take place at the First United Church location of the Interfaith Winter Shelter from 1-4 p.m. on Jan. 20. Volunteers will not only gather the clothing for distribution, but they will also prepare a warm meal and assemble sleeping cots for shelter attendees. Volunteers will participate in a canned food drive as well. Please contact Caty Munden at cmdunden@indiana.edu or (812) 820-7788. (www.indiana.edu/~omsld)

King Day at Middle Way – Jan. 20, Jan. 25

Middle Way House is hosting two trainings in January - Jan. 20 and Jan. 25. By attending one of these eight-hour trainings, participants will be able to become volunteers in one of Middle Way House's many programs throughout the year. On Dr. King Day, Jan. 20, individuals can volunteer in the Roof-Top Garden Program, which raises healthy food for residents and provides educational opportunities for the children in the youth program. There will also be a birdhouse building project, to add natural beauty to the grounds and a Game Day for youth, which will allow volunteers to visit the program and engage in fun activities with the children. In addition, the day care program will host a craft day for the preschoolers and The Rise transitional housing facility will host its annual painting and cleaning day. Volunteers will assist their limited staff with freshening up the community spaces. All of these projects will benefit families who have experienced domestic violence. The Rooftop Garden and Bird House projects have a minimum age of 14. All other projects require a minimum age of 18. For details and times, please contact Debra Morrow at volunteer@middlewayhouse.org or (812)227-4510. (middlewayhouse.org)

Community Wish List Spotlight

Play360

In conjunction with international volunteers and funders, assists organizations and individuals in designing and building quality playgrounds all over the world. To grant a wish, contact Jon Racek at info@play360.org. (www.play360.org)

Wishes: chain cutters, hammers, hand saws; drill, Sawzall, hammer drill (prefer battery-powered, but plug-in ok)

Use the [Community Wish List](#) to start a drive within your school, faith community or other group or take the list along shopping and add a few extra items to your cart. It WILL make a difference to those served by this organization.

The City of Bloomington Volunteer Network is your source for information about volunteering locally. For a complete listing, visit bloomington.in.gov/volunteer or call 349-3433. The inclusion of an organization in this list does not imply City endorsement or support of the organization's activities or policies.

